

## Money, Money, Money

Matthew 6:21 - Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

1. Wealth As A Blessing.

<u>Deuteronomy 8:18</u> - "But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth..." NIV

2. Justice And Fairness In Money Matters.

**Leviticus 19:35-36** - Do not use dishonest standards when measuring length, weight or quantity. 36 Use honest scales and honest weights...NIV

<u>Deuteronomy 24:15</u> - You must pay them their wages each day before sunset...

3. Caring For The Poor.

**Proverbs 19:17** - If you help the poor, you are lending to the LORD— and he will repay you!

<u>Deuteronomy 15:7-8</u> - ...do not be hard-hearted or tightfisted toward them. <sup>8</sup> Instead, be generous and lend them whatever they need.

4. Debt And Lending.

**Exodus 22:25** - If you lend money to one of my people among you who is needy, do not treat it like a business deal; charge no interest. NIV

5. Warnings Against Greed.

<u>Ecclesiastes 5:10</u> - Those who love money will never have enough. How meaningless to think that wealth brings true happiness!

<u>Luke 12:13-21</u> - Then someone called from the crowd, "Teacher, please tell my brother to divide our father's estate with me." <sup>14</sup> Jesus replied, "Friend, who made me a judge over you to decide such things as that?" <sup>15</sup>

Then he said, "Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own." <sup>16</sup> Then he told them a story: "A rich man had a fertile farm that produced fine crops. <sup>17</sup> He said to himself, 'What should I do? I don't have room for all my crops.' <sup>18</sup> Then he said, 'I know! I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. Then I'll have room enough to store all my wheat and other goods. <sup>19</sup> And I'll sit back and say to myself, "My friend, you have enough stored away for years to come. Now take it easy! Eat, drink, and be merry!"' <sup>20</sup> "But God said to him, 'You fool! You will die this very night. Then who will get everything you worked for?' <sup>21</sup> "Yes, a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God."

## The Lord Is Outraged With Foolish Ingratitude

**Get Your Priorities Straight** 

Jesus Calls All Of Us To Check Our Attitude Toward Money And How We Spend It

True Life Doesn't Depend On An Abundance Of Possessions

<u>Matthew 6:32</u> - These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers, but your heavenly Father already knows all your needs.

<u>1 Timothy 6:17</u> - Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment.

## Be Aware Of The Dangers Of A Covetous Heart

<u>Proverbs 8:9</u> - ...give me neither poverty nor riches! Give me just enough to satisfy my needs. <sup>9</sup> For if I grow rich, I may deny you and say, "Who is the LORD?" And if I am too poor, I may steal and thus insult God's holy name.

**Luke 9:25** - And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but are yourself lost or destroyed?